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# Little Shop of HORRORS



DECEMBER 5, 1995- 8PM  
DECEMBER 6 & 7, 1995-6PM  
KEMP RECITAL HALL

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**CAST**  
(in order of appearance)

Street Urchins

Crystal ..... Rose Capranica

Chiffon ..... Melissa Tropp

Ronnette ..... Dana Bersie

Mr. Mushnik ..... Matt Vesic

Audrey ..... Betsy Gargano

Seymour Krelbourn ..... Dwight Powell

Wino ..... Rob Scharlow

Bag Lady ..... Leslie R. Bernardo

Customer 1 ..... Tim Ahlberg

Orin Scrivello, D.D.S. .... Kirk Jackson

Victim ..... Tim Ahlberg

Dentist's Patient ..... Rob Scharlow

Customer 2 ..... William O'Connor

Mrs. Bernstein ..... Katie Gletty

Mrs. Luce ..... Heidi Cunz

Skip Snip ..... Rob Scharlow

Patrick Martin ..... William O'Connor

A Voice not unlike God's ..... Tim Ahlberg

Voice of Audrey II ..... Doug Nagel

Audrey II puppeteers ..... Craig Miller/Chad Wise

Radio Announcer ..... Anthony Sarlo

**\*Audrey II puppets were furnished by Cornstock Theatre, Peoria, IL\***

**\*Programs donated by Minuteman Press - Thank You to Bob Scharlow\***

**\*The I.S.U. Freestage program is a non-profit organization and greatly appreciates any donations to ensure the continuation of this great opportunity for young directors! Thank you!**

## Production Staff

Director .....	Craig A. Miller II
Music Director/Orchestrator .....	Doug Nagel
Choreographer .....	Christine A. Paun
Make-up .....	Dana Bersie
Vocal Coach .....	Jerry Myers
Stage Manager .....	Jeanna DiBiase
Faculty Advisor .....	Sandra Zelinski

## Director's Notes

All human beings have many similarities. Our wants, and needs. Our desires, and dreams. We certainly share many necessities like food, water, and shelter. These are all very important to survival, in fact they can't be negotiated. We must have them. But there is one more thing that at one time or another, everyone needs. That is love.

When asked back in my Sophomore year of high school "What do you think this play is about?", my answer would have been a very enthusiastic "It's about this really cool plant that sings and eats people!" Back then, that is exactly what it was to me.

I now see that this play has a timeless lesson deep inside the darkness of its comedy. The fun music, larger-than-life characters, and of course Audreyll, all serve as our vehicle to the ultimate realization that love is necessary to life.

Now, sit back, relax, and have fun falling in love with "Little Shop Of Horrors."

Like Audreyll says, "Cut the crap and bring on the meat!"

Thank you,

Craig A. Miller II

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